

# WORSHIP



Communion Sunday, August 4, 2024

*As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he promised us—eternal life.*

1 John 2:24-25

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**Prelude** Deborah Bertling, Mary Hurt & Emily Sommermann

**Welcome to Our Life Together** Kirk Gilbert

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Music of Preparation** "O Come, Let Us Adore Him" Hymn #82, verses 1, 3 & 4

## GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

**\*Call To Worship** Psalm 86: 4-12

Leader: Bring joy to your servant, LORD, for I put my trust in you. You, LORD, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call on you.

**People: Hear my prayer, LORD; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me.**

Leader: Among the gods, there is none like you, LORD; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, LORD; they will bring glory to your name.

**All: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God. Teach me your way, LORD, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, LORD my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.**

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

## \*Hymn of Praise

## *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

1. The King of love my Shepherd is  
Whose goodness faileth never  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever
2. Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul He leadeth  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth
3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed  
But yet in love he sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home, rejoicing brought me
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With you, dear Lord, beside me  
Your rod and staff my comfort still  
Your cross before to guide me
5. You spread a table in my sight  
Your saving grace bestowing  
And O what transport of delight  
From your pure chalice flowing!
6. And so through all the length of days  
Your goodness fails me never  
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise  
Within Your house forever

## **GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD**

In addition to giving through the passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at our website or scan the QR code on the back cover. Remember our tithes and offerings are a continued act of worship and a physical act of trusting all of our lives to Jesus as we join God in his work in our community and around the world.

### **Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offerings**

Ryan Warner

### **Offertory**

### **\*Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Affirmation of Faith** Unison

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

*"Jesus, Name Above All Names"*

Hymn 112

Jesus, name above all names  
Beautiful Savior glorious Lord  
Emmanuel God is with us  
Blessed Redeemer, living Word

**Scripture**

1 John 2:18-29

**Sermon**

*"The Central Question"*

Jim Wilson

## **CELEBRATING COMMUNION**

**Confession of Sin** Unison

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash away my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Cleanse me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Amen.**

*Take a moment to silently confess your sins, knowing that God hears you.*

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Hear and believe in the good news of the gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are cleansed and forgiven!**

## **The Celebration of Communion**

*You have an individual prepackaged communion kit. We will eat the bread and drink the cup together as we remember Christ's death and resurrection and celebrate our common union in Christ.*

## **GOING IN GOD'S NAME**

**The Lord's Prayer** Unison

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Response***Before the Throne of God Above*

1. Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is love  
Who ever lives and pleads for me  
My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart
  
2. When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me
  
3. Behold Him there, the risen Lamb  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable I Am  
The King of glory and of grace  
One with Himself, I cannot die  
My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ my Savior and my God

**\*Benediction****Postlude**

## Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church



**Welcome Visitors!** We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please fill out a visitor card or email us at [admin@elmopres.org](mailto:admin@elmopres.org) so we can get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. You may also connect with us on our website at: [elmopres.org](http://elmopres.org), or on Instagram @elmopres, or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

### ELMO Pres Kids & Youth

Nursery (ages 0-2.5) & Preschool (ages 2.5-5) from 9:50 a.m. until end of worship in the Pre-K classrooms.

ELMO Pres Kids grades 1st-6th join in worship through August 28.

Worship Activity guides available in the foyer.

Bibles & Bagels in the Basement (for high school students) next meeting, August 11 from 9:00 -9:45 a.m.

To sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter, email [LauriHaugen@elmopres.org](mailto:LauriHaugen@elmopres.org).

### Caring

Please take time to pray for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Email your prayer requests to [prayers@elmopres.org](mailto:prayers@elmopres.org).

In addition, please pray for:

Safety for those serving in the armed forces, including Lt. Morgan Hale, U.S. Navy; Lt. Miles Hale, U.S. Army, sons of Rob and Christine Hale; Lt. Col. James Wentzel, U.S. Air Force, son of Bob and Nancy Phinney; and Spc. Jack Burrows U.S. Army, grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick.

Bereavement for the family and friends of Raymond Warrington, father of Christine Hale.

Harriett Hartt recovering from a stroke; Ron Gouger, for strength battling cancer; Blanche Heitkamp, for continued recovery; Curtis Whiteman, for continued healing; Marilyn Nichols recovering from a stroke and Jean Svoboda recovering from a fall. Sylvia Hamilton for healing and energy as she recovers from surgery.

Tristan Baker, great-grandson of Bruce Stockin, that his body will respond to chemotherapy and praise that he is able to be home between weekly treatments.

Mark Hayes, grandson of Marilyn Hayes, undergoing cancer treatment.

For peace in conflict zones including Haiti, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza, Sudan (Darfur), Syria, Ethiopia and Venezuela.

## **Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries**

El Montecito Presbyterian Church supports numerous ministries and organizations near and far, including the ministry of Greg and Chris Callison. Greg and Chris initially served the Kurdish community in Berlin, Germany and have continued to minister among the Kurds with The Antioch Partners. Please support the Callisons by praying for:

- Peace and stability in Kurdistan.
- The renovation, into a Peace and Reconciliation Center, of the home in Duhok, Iraq of the Rev. Roger and Harriet Cumberland. He was a Presbyterian missionary killed in 1938 in Iraq.
- Travel mercies and renewed connections for Chris and Greg as they visit supporters in western states this fall, sharing what they do to serve unreached ethnic groups, the Kurds being among the world's largest. They expect to be with us in November.

## **Connecting & Serving**

**Sermon Series Discussion Group**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Library studying 1 John.

**Prayer Time**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

**Women in the Word**, Resumes Monday, Sept. 9 at 9:30 a.m. with a study of the Book of Acts. For more information or to sign up, call Patty Wilson at 805-689-4496 or text Deborah Bertling at 805-698-0952.

**Women's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at IHOP at 1701 State St.

Join the study on "Disciplines of a Godly Woman."

**Men's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 9 - 10 a.m. in the Library. Bring your Bible to participate in a study of Revelation. Coffee is provided.

### **Connect with our Ministry Partners:**

Our ministry partners enjoy receiving encouraging notes. Reach them this way:

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